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In re application of: Alton Hugh Phillips

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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE BY APPLICANT
37 CFR 1.313(c)

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Sir:

PETITION

1. Applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of this application from issue.

NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE and ISSUE FEE

2. The Notice of Allowance was mailed on March 15, 2006 and the issue fee for this case was mailed on June 8, 2006.

REASONS FOR WITHDRAWAL REQUEST

3. The reason for withdrawal from issue of this application is

unpatentability of one or more claims. One or more claims in this application are unquestionably unpatentable. Enclosed is an amendment to such claims, and an explanation as to how the amendment causes such claims to be patentable. §1.313(c)(1).

for consideration of a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114 (for consideration of an information disclosure statement, for example). §1.313(c)(2). The RCE is enclosed along with this petition.

to permit express abandonment of the application. §1.313(c)(3). Applicant requests that this application be expressly abandoned. A continuing application has been filed.

GOOD AND SUFFICIENT REASONS

4. Specifically, the reason why this application must be withdrawn from issue is that the Applicant desired express abandonment in favor of a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b). §1.313(a). MPEP 1308.

PETITION FEES

5. The petition fee is paid as follows:

- Enclosed is a check in the sum of \$130.00
 Charge Account No. 500388 the sum of \$130.00.

Respectfully submitted,
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